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Temporary repairs were made during the night to stop the inflow of water, but it could not be done thoroughly. The Brett had a lot of freight, and most of it was removed to the after part of the boat, so that the bow, where the hole was, might be raised and thus keep out the water. In this way the boat steamed up to Nyack this morning. The passengers were taken off by the steamer Chrystenah and carried to New York. The ferryboat Fishkillon-Hudson came down this afternoon and took off the freight.

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Thomas P. Wilson, formerly a policeman, and his son. Arthur E. Wilson, who says he is an agent of the Parkhurst society, were arraigned yesterday before Magistrate Lemon in the Gutes Avenue Folice Court in Brooklyn on the complaint of Florence Wilson, 17 years old, the wife of Arthur. The girl was secretly married to Wilson two years ago, while she was attendng Public School 15. She alleges that she was nine-months-old baby from their home, at 1851 Atlantic avenue, at the point of a revolver. On her return to the house the next day for her clothing she found the doors bolted and a notice posted outside announcing that all trespassers would be prosecuted for burg-lary. She got in by opening one of the parior

Brewers Sue to Becover a Rebate on Tax

Brewers Joseph Fallert and Ernest Ochs have begun an action in the United States District Court in Brooklyn against Internal Revenue Collector Moore for the recovery of a rebate of 7% per cent, on beer stamps. The relate was ill treated by her husband's family, and that a abolished by act of Congress July 23, 1897. It few days ago her husband drove her with her is contended by Collector Moore that the act went into operation at midnight of July 23, while the brewers hold that it became a law at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of July 21, when it was signed by President McKinley. The plaintiffs purchased beer stamps in the lateria, and now sue to recover the rebute of 7/5 per cent, allowed prior to the present law becoming operative.

Sishop McDonnell Confers in Secret with

the Clergymen of the Diocese. Bishop McDonnell presided yesterday at a synod of the Catholic clergymen of the Brooklyn diocese at the Church of St. John the Bap-tist in Willoughby avenue. There were present about 300 priests. Preceding the conven-ing of the synod, from which all laymen were excluded, mass was celebrated by Mgr. Me-Namara. It is understood that the business of the synod related mainly to the projected cele-bration of the passing away of the century next

Railroad Watchman Killed by a Train. The body of Thomas Slockbower, a watchman, who had been employed fifteen years by the Erie Ballroad, was found yesterday morning between the railroad tracks near the east-ern entrance to the tunnel. Stockbower evi-dently had been struck by a train. He was 69 years old.

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